THE TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Saturday, the 29th July, 1922.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall, Trivandrum, at Eleven Thirty of the Clock. The President was in the chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[*Order made by the President under Standing Order No. 12.*

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table 15 minutes before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions shall be put and answered in the following manner:—

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in serial order, specify the serial number of his questions and make a sufficient pause to allow him a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place, if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

THE HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS.

15. MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to say whether the Government had not vetoed the proposal of the late Conservator, Mr. V. Subrahmanya Aiyar, to shift the office of the Conservator from Quilon to Trivandrum?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to say what reasons induced them to sanction the proposal afterwards?

(*c*) Are the Government aware that the whole staff of the Conservator's office excepting two or three belongs to Quilon?

(*d*) Will not the Conservator have to be given a larger sum as travelling allowance by locating his office at Trivandrum?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (*a*) The Government are not aware of any proposal made by the late Conservator of Forests, Mr. V. Subrahmanya Aiyar, to shift his head-quarters from Quilon to Trivandrum.

(*b*) The transfer of head-quarters was effected in public interests.

(*c*) Government have no information.

(*d*) The answer is in the negative.

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[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state some of the additional advantages to the people by the transfer of the office to the Capital?

PRESIDENT: It is not a supplementary question.

MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: Have the Government any objection to take the office back to Quilon?

MR S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: I am afraid I must have notice of that question.

ISSUE OF A RULE UNDER SECTION 23 OF THE POLICE REGULATION.

16. MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether any District Magistrate has passed any rules under Section 23 of the Police Regulation, IV of 1095?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to order the following rule being made applicable to all the municipal towns in the State:

"No person riding a bicycle in any street or public place shall be permitted to carry any other person on the same bicycle either on the handle bar or on the back step or on the cross bar and no person shall ride a bicycle in any street or public place in any other manner than on the saddle."

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) Government will call for information.

(*b*) The matter will be considered.

WITHDRAWAL OF A HINDU STUDENT FROM THE CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL, QUILON.

17. MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: (*a*) Are the Government aware of the fact that a Hindu student has been withdrawn by her father from the Fifth Form in the Convent High School at Quilon, on the ground that a change in her religious belief was noticed by the parents?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to start a lower grade secondary school for girls at Quilon or to give the necessary facilities for non-officials to start one?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (*a*) The Director of Public Instruction reports that a Hindu student of the Convent English School, Quilon, left the school with a view to learn Chemistry for which there was no provision in that school and also on religious grounds.

(*b*) Government do not propose to start a departmental school. The Education Code contains information about the Governmental aid for which private schools are eligible.

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